Europe's Remaining Challenges



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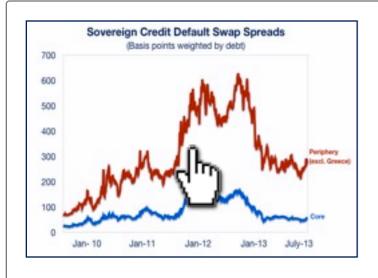
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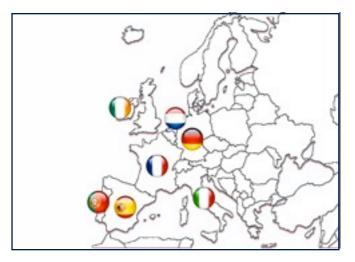
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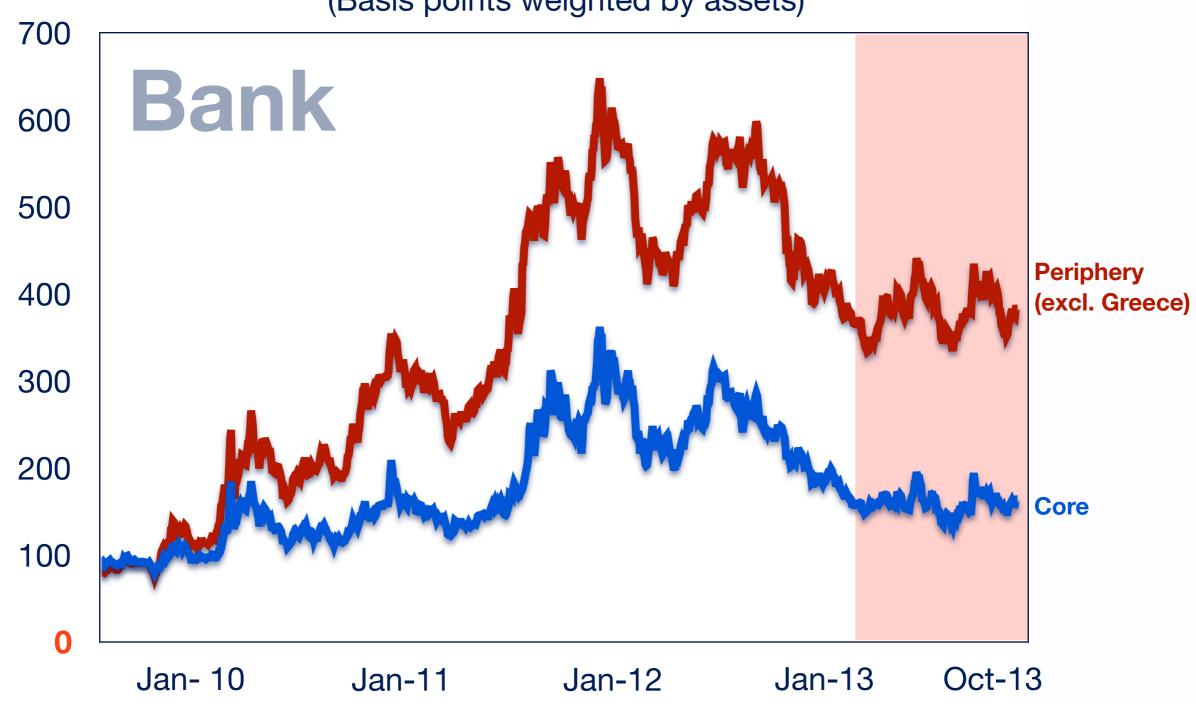
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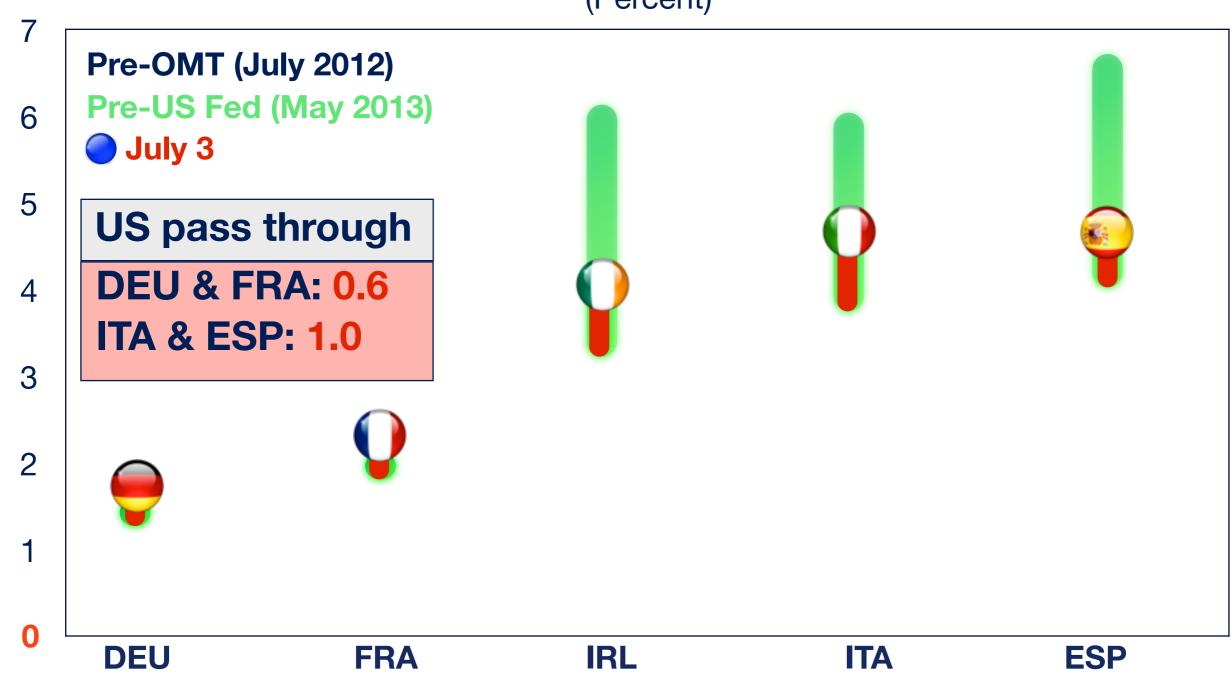
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10-year Sovereign Yields

(Percent)



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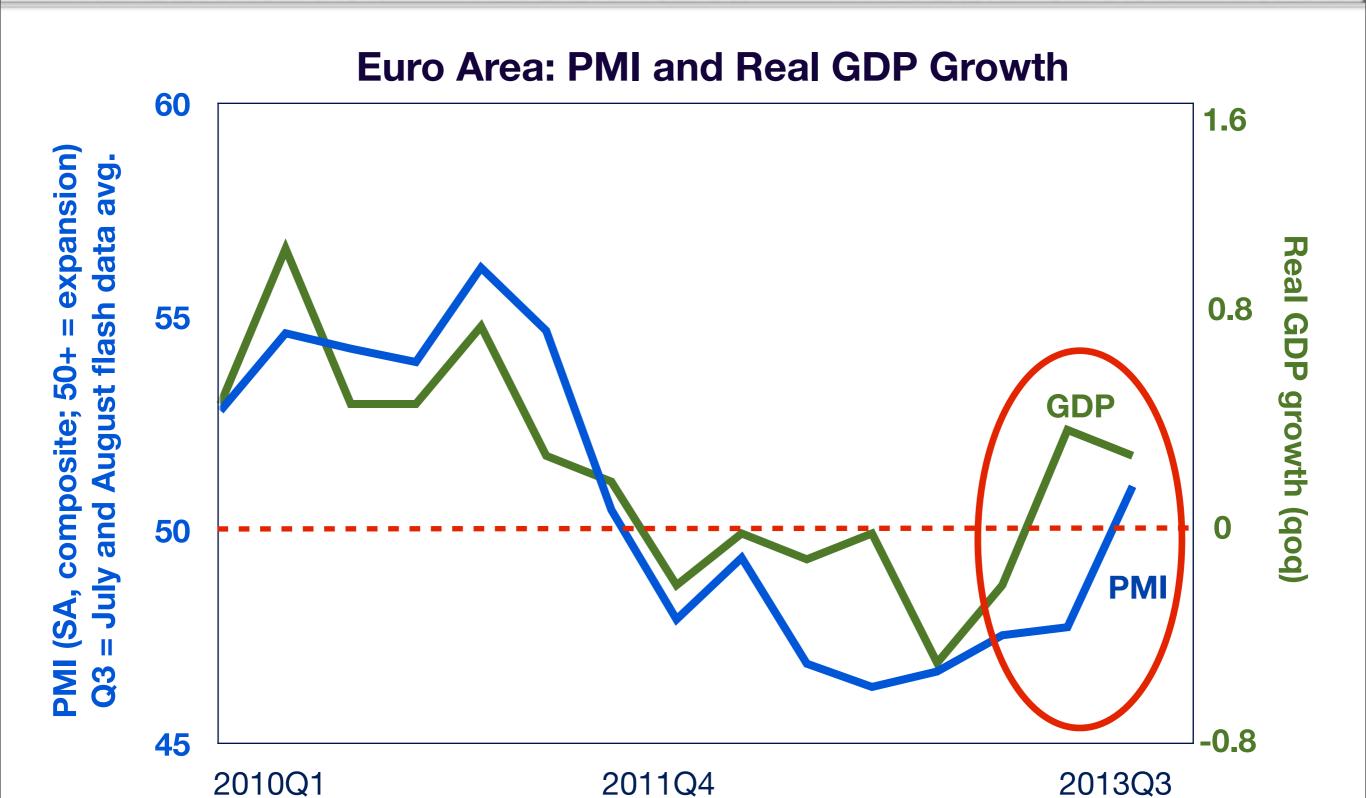


WEO Growth Projections and Revisions

(Percent; cumulative 2013-14)



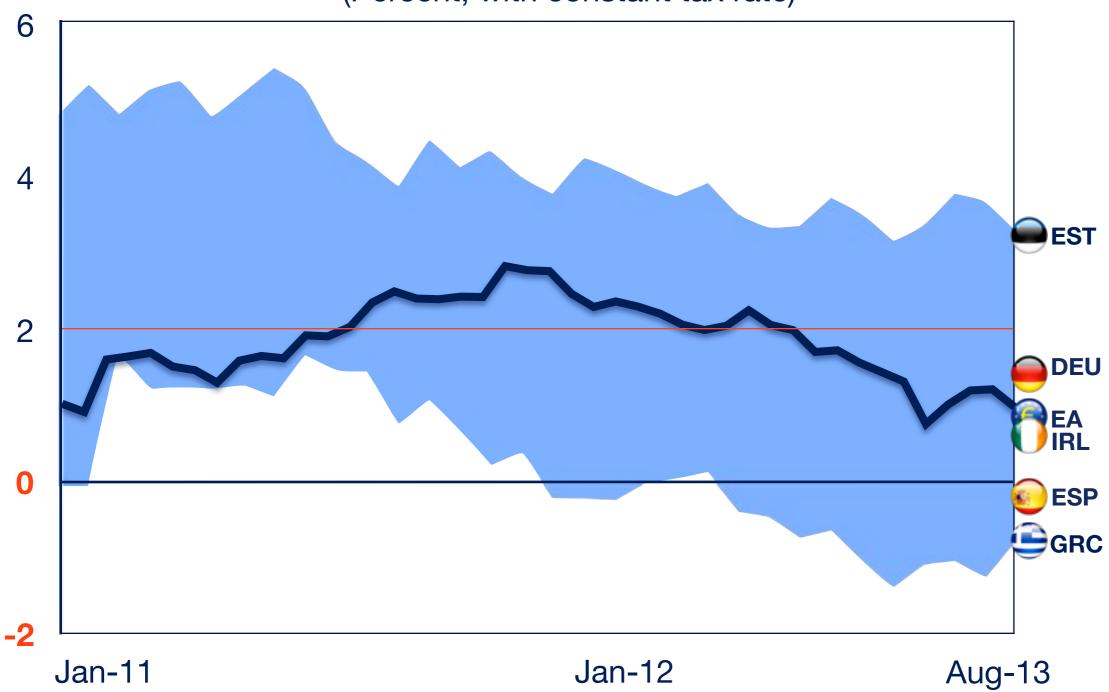






Euro Area HICP Inflation

(Percent, with constant tax rate)



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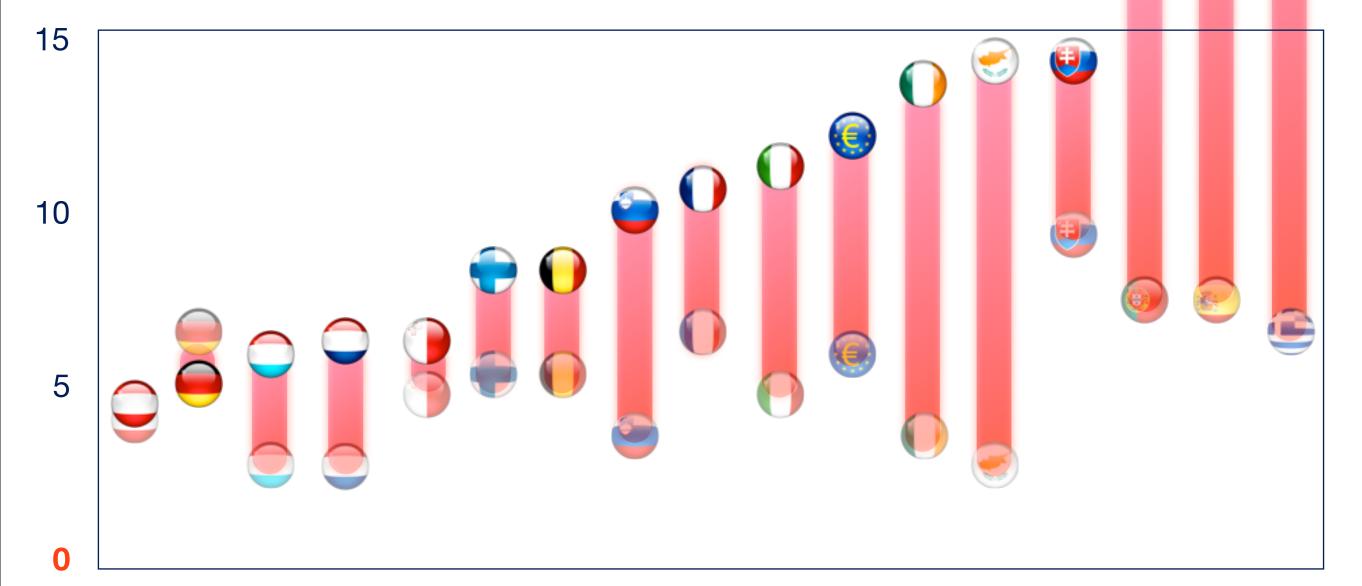
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What's happening in the real economy?

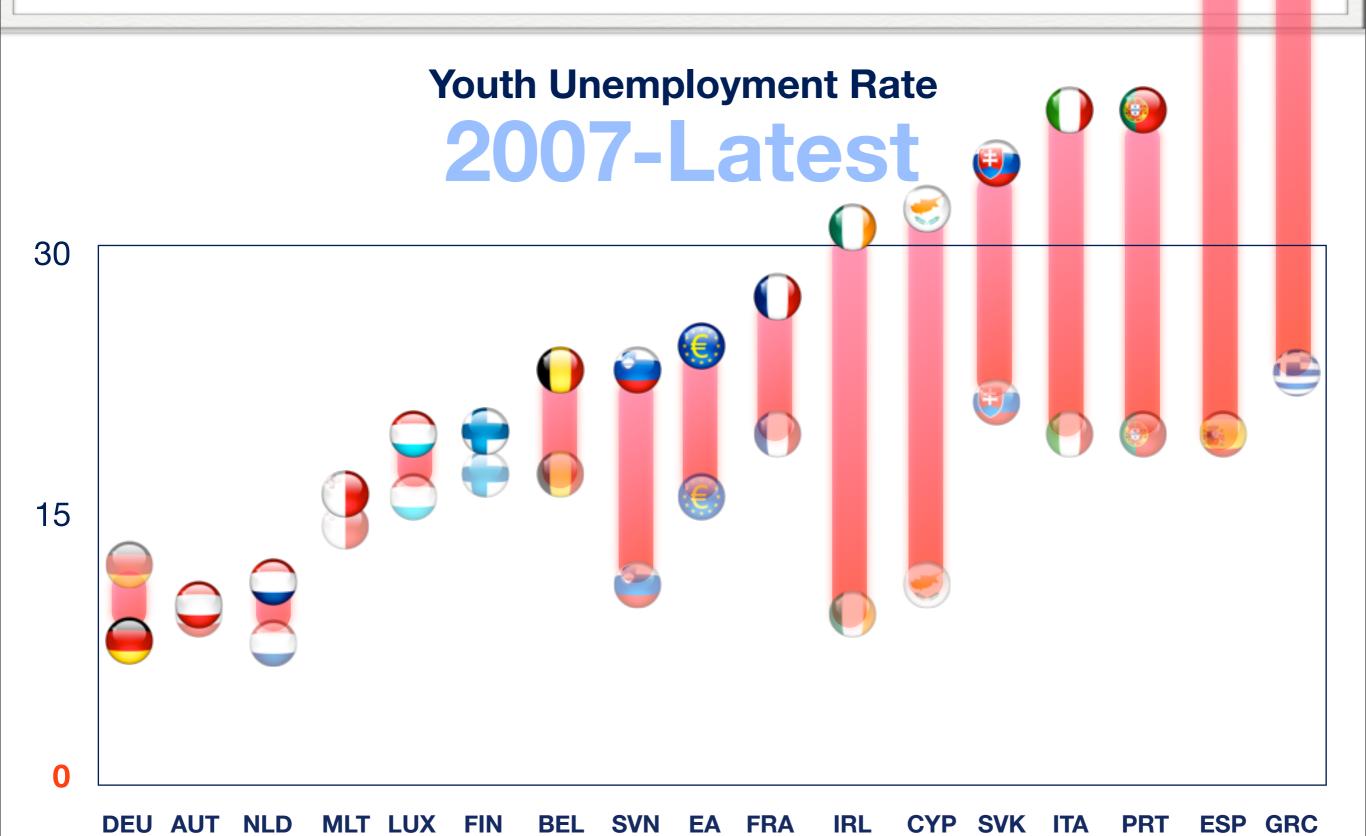


Total Unemployment Rate

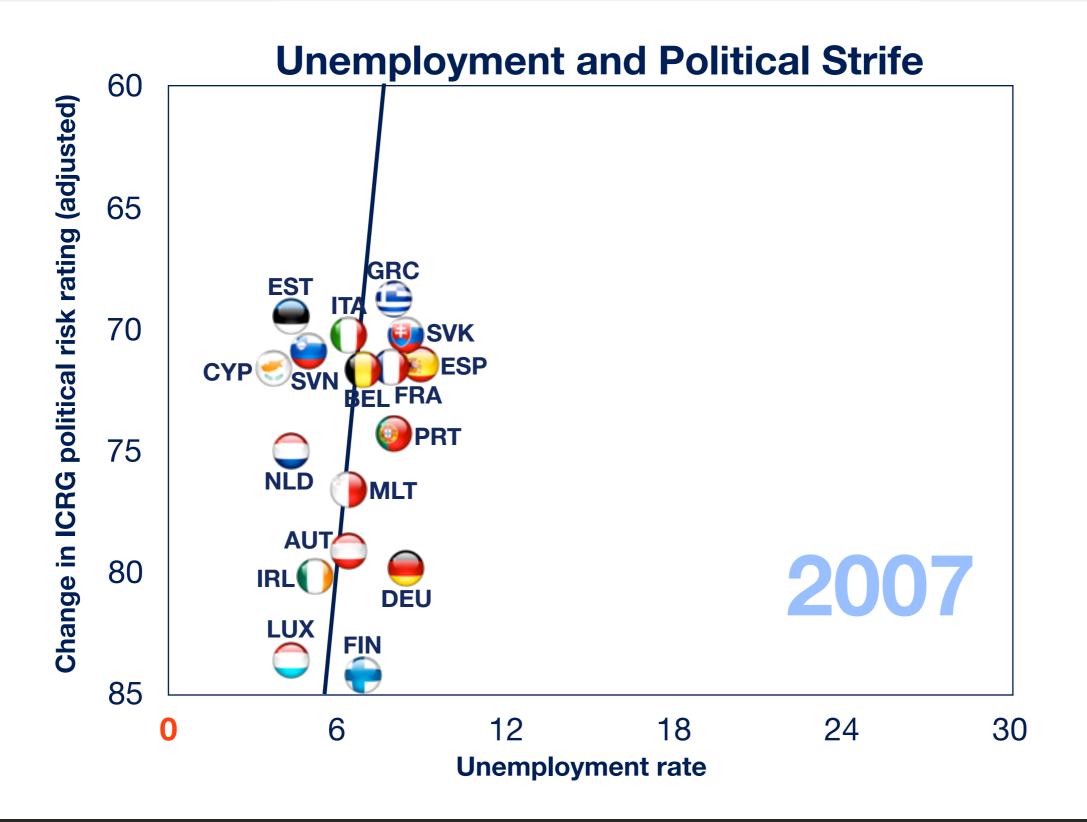
2007-Latest



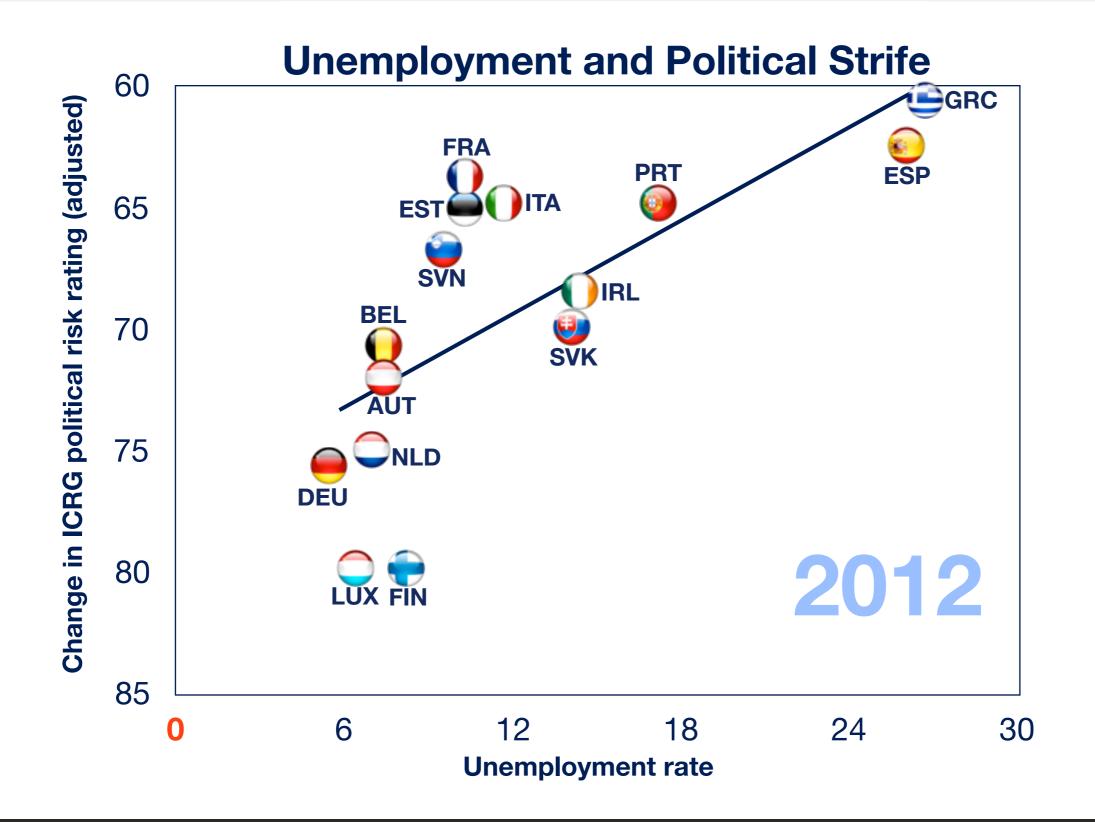
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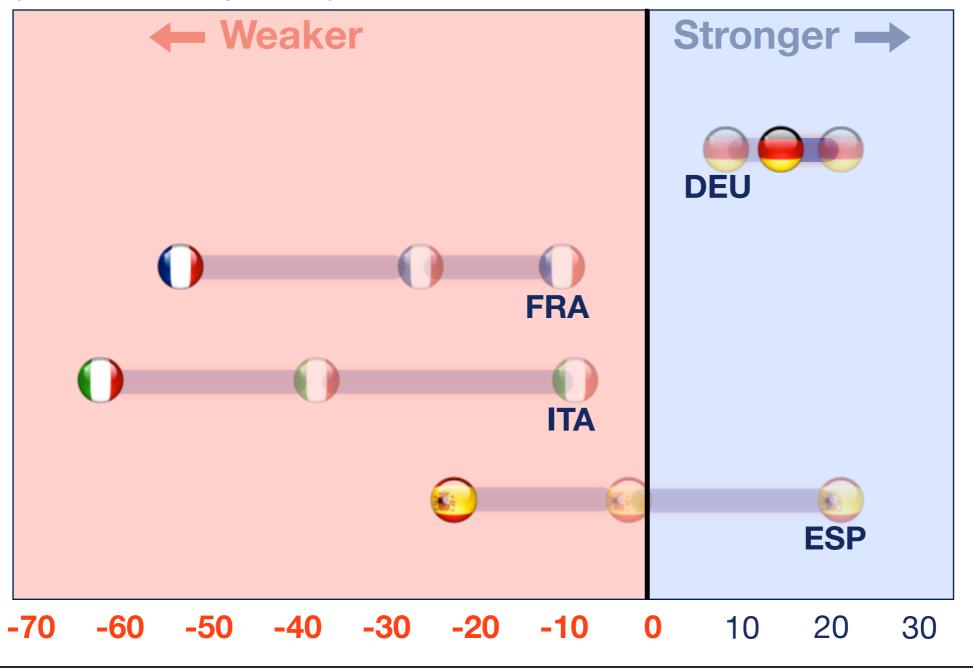






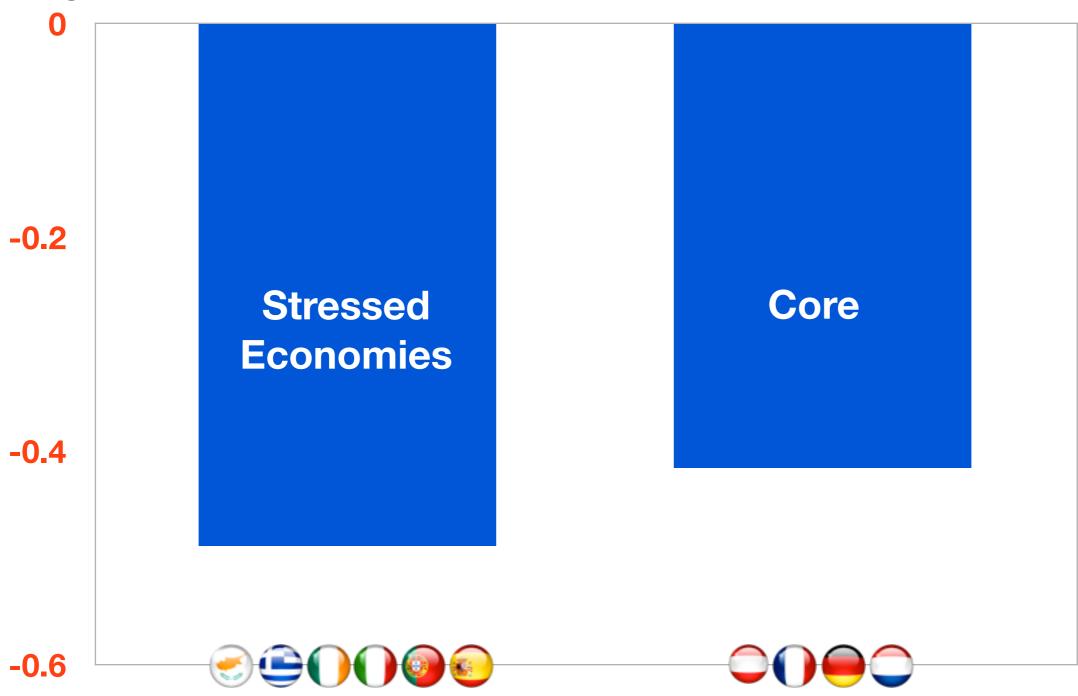
Has the economy of your country been made stronger or weaker by the economic integration in Europe?

(Balance of responses)





Avg. Correlation of Europe Uncertainty and Growth, 2007-13



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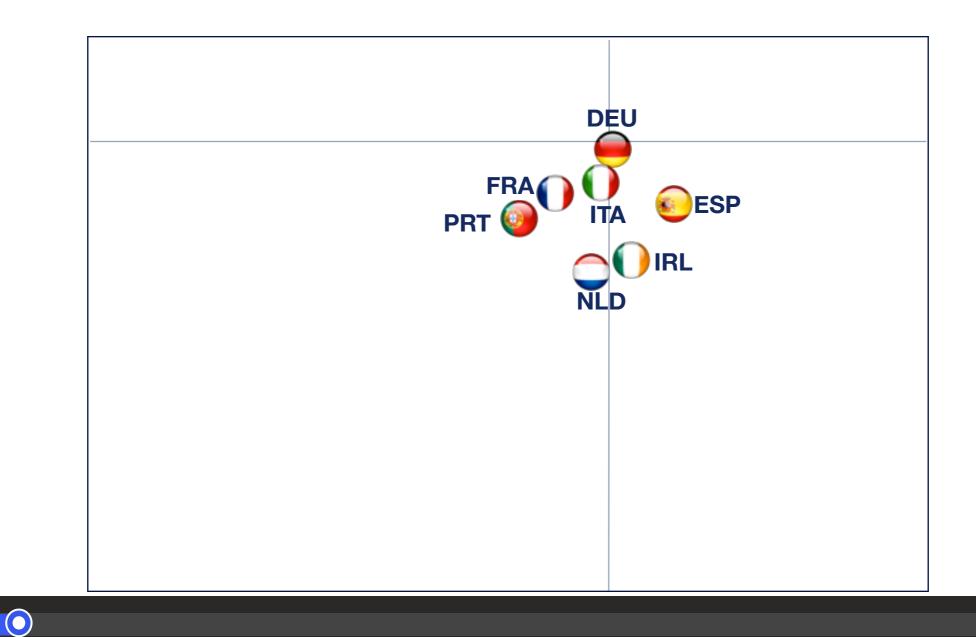






Change in Cross-border Financial Linkages

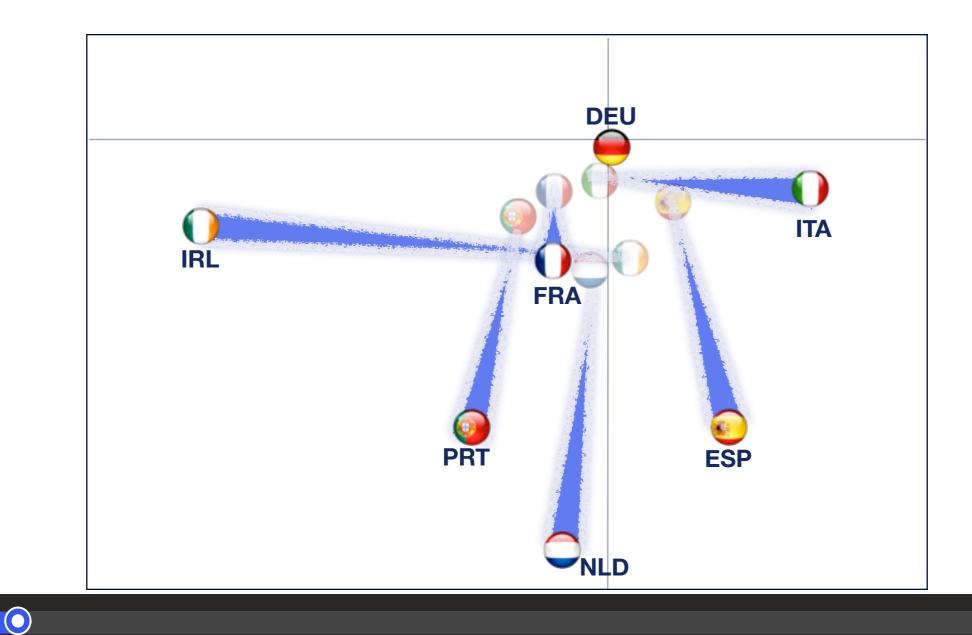
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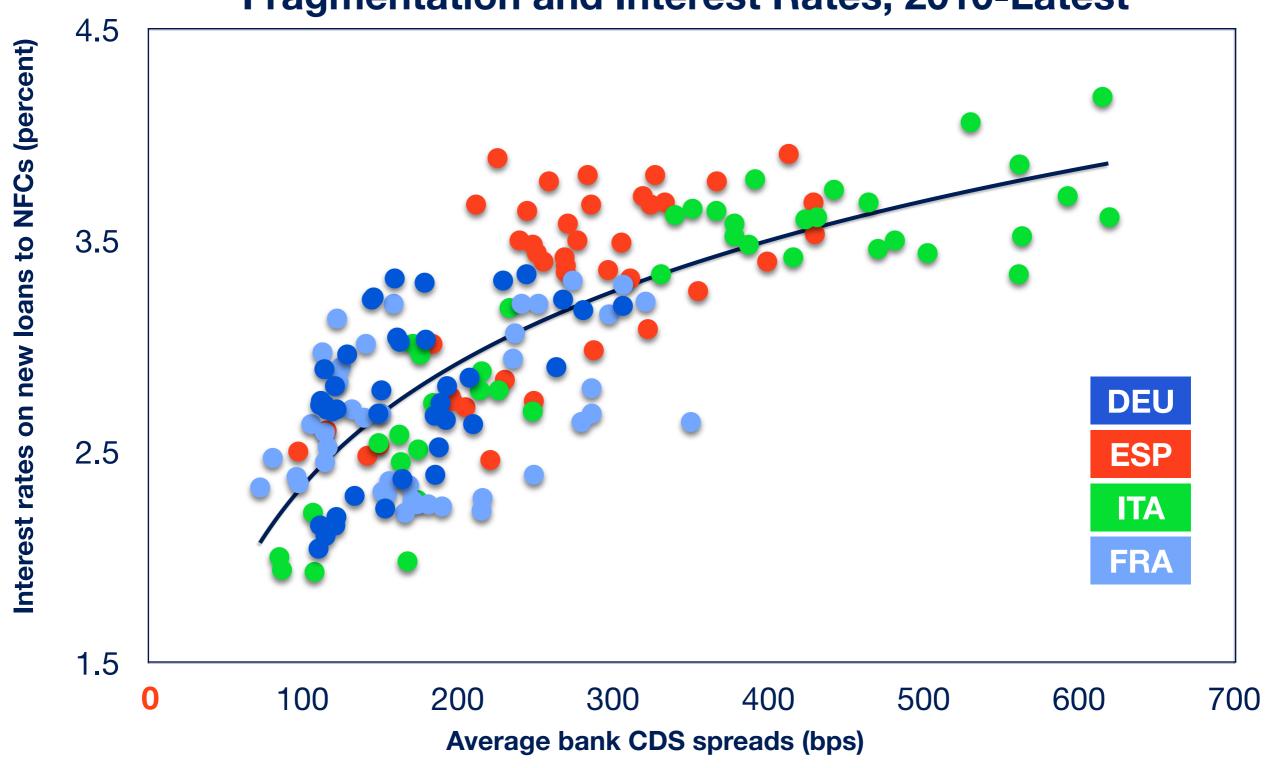
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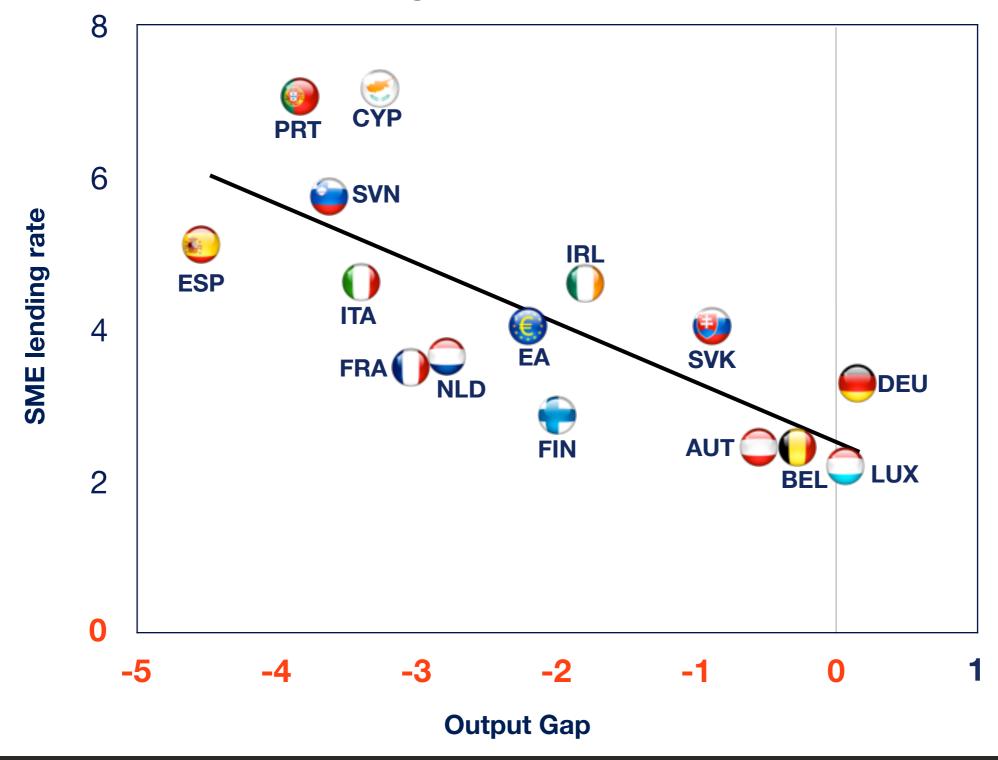






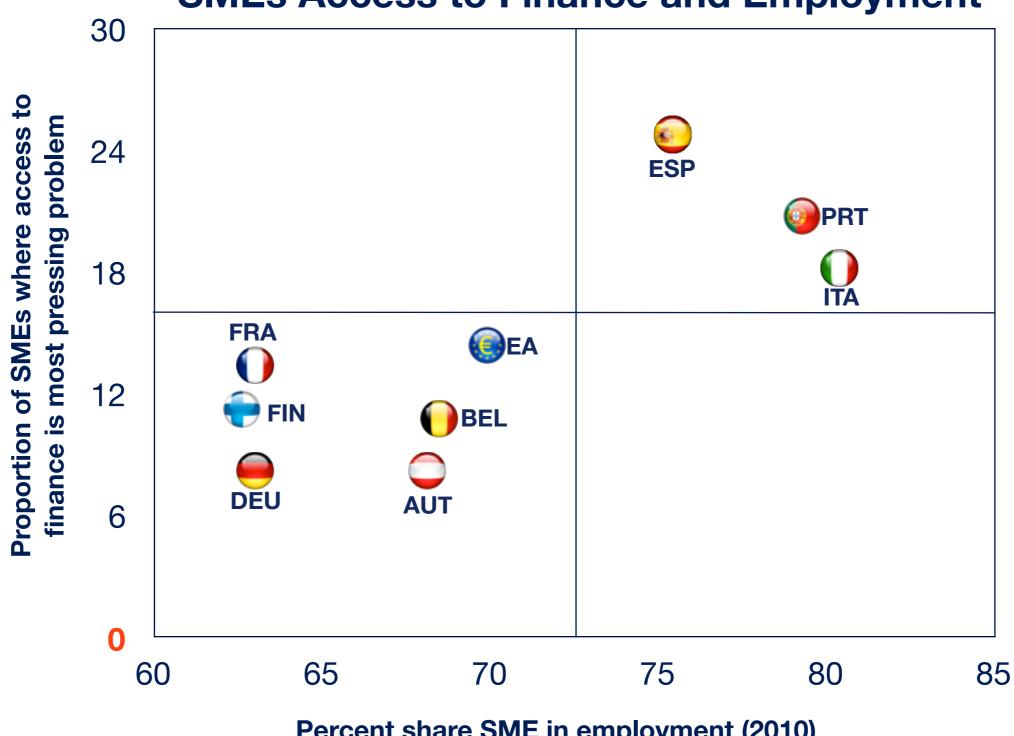


SME Lending Rate and Output Gap, 2012





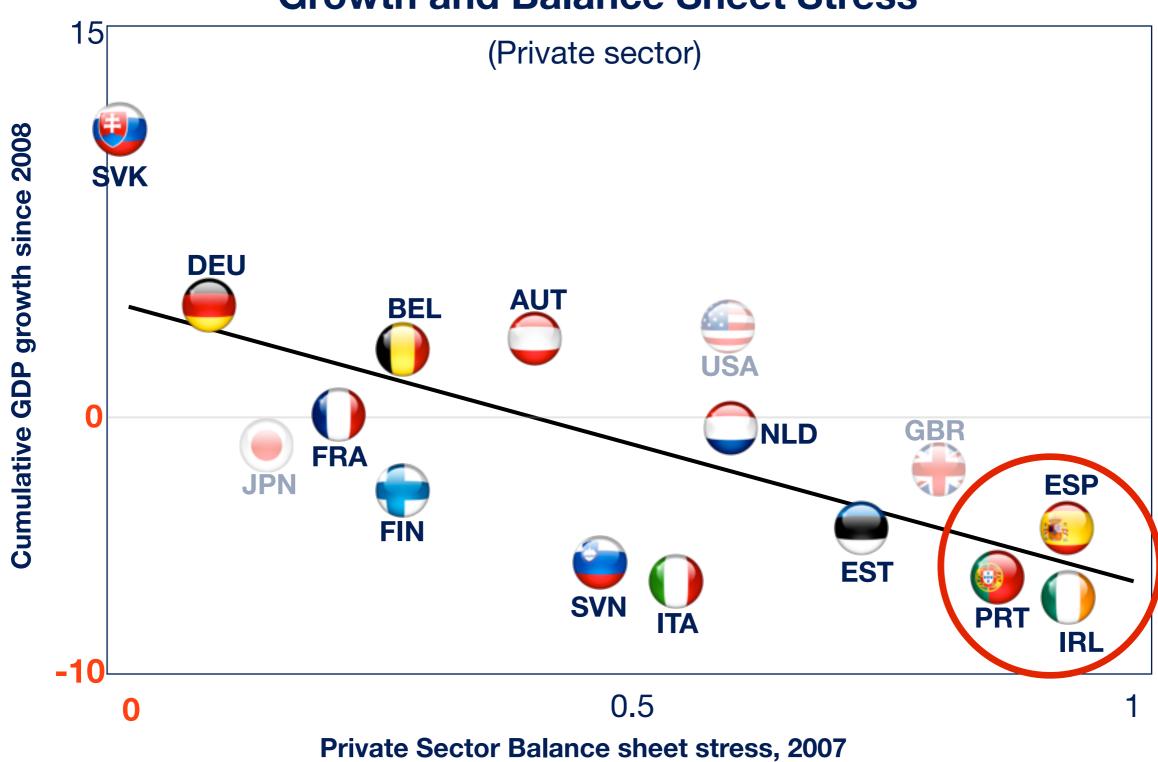




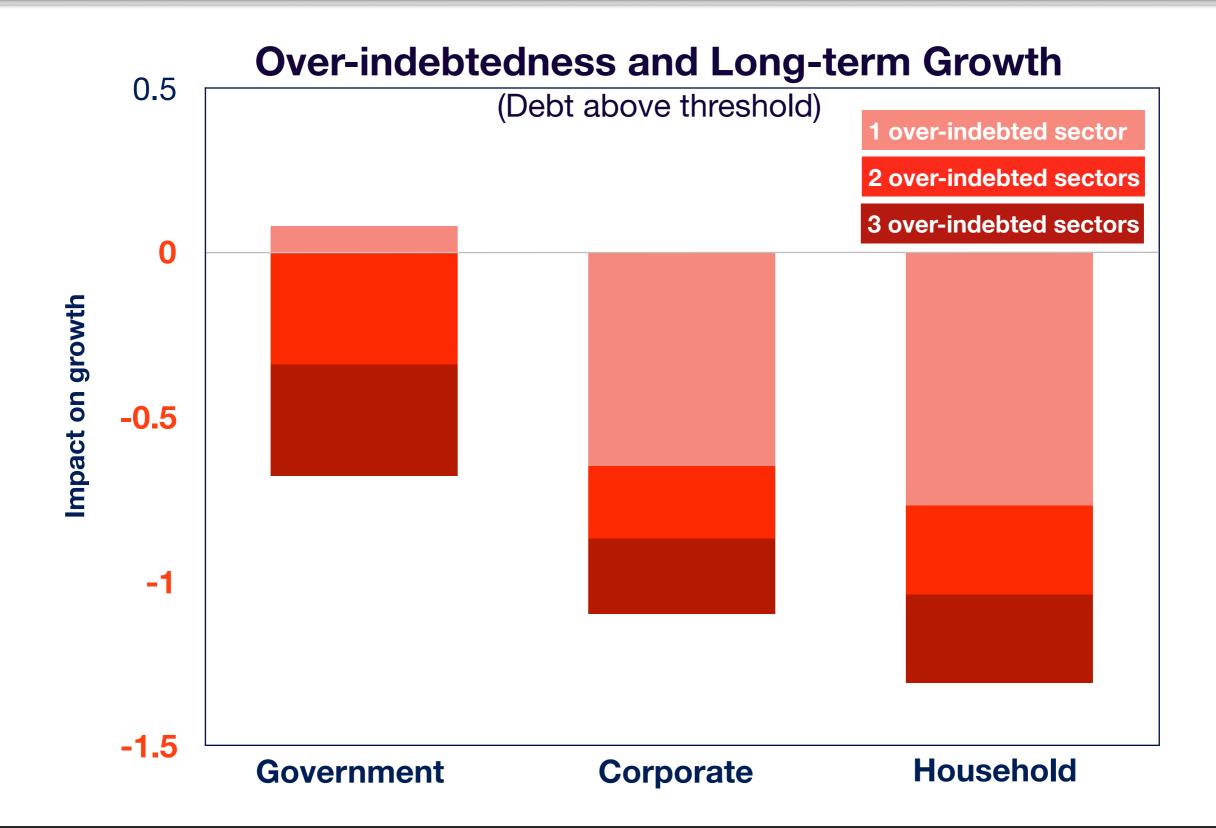
Percent share SME in employment (2010)



Growth and Balance Sheet Stress



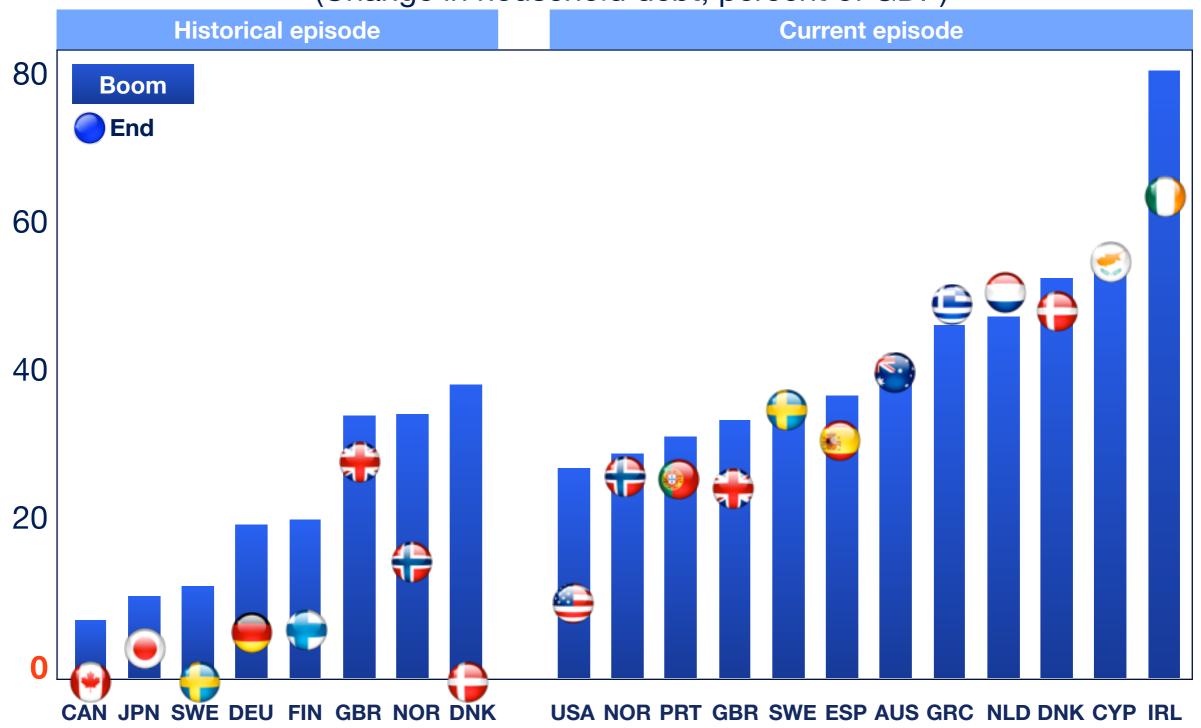






Household Deleveraging Episodes

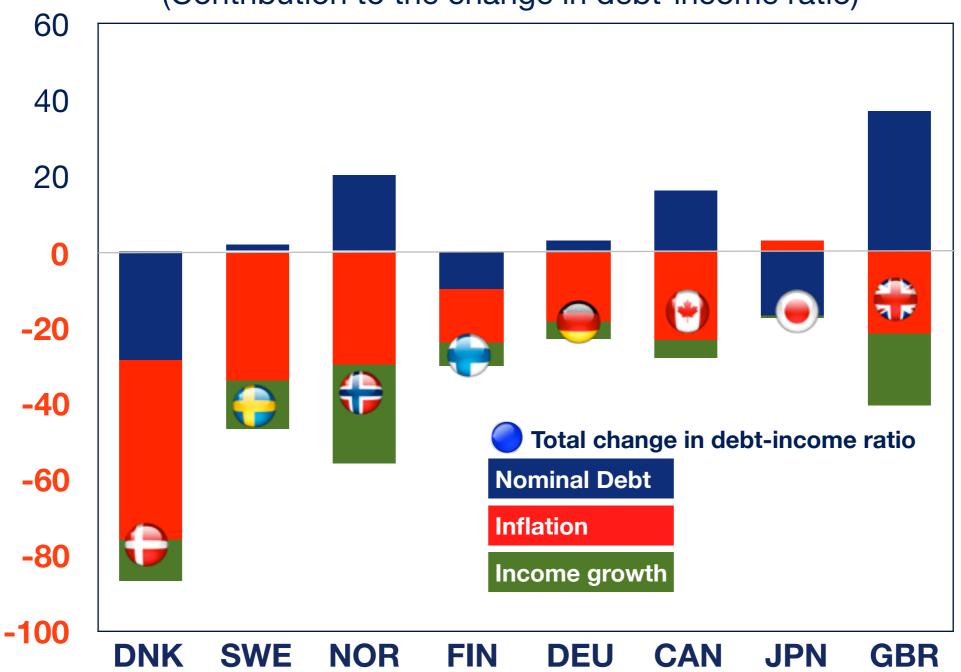
(Change in household debt, percent of GDP)





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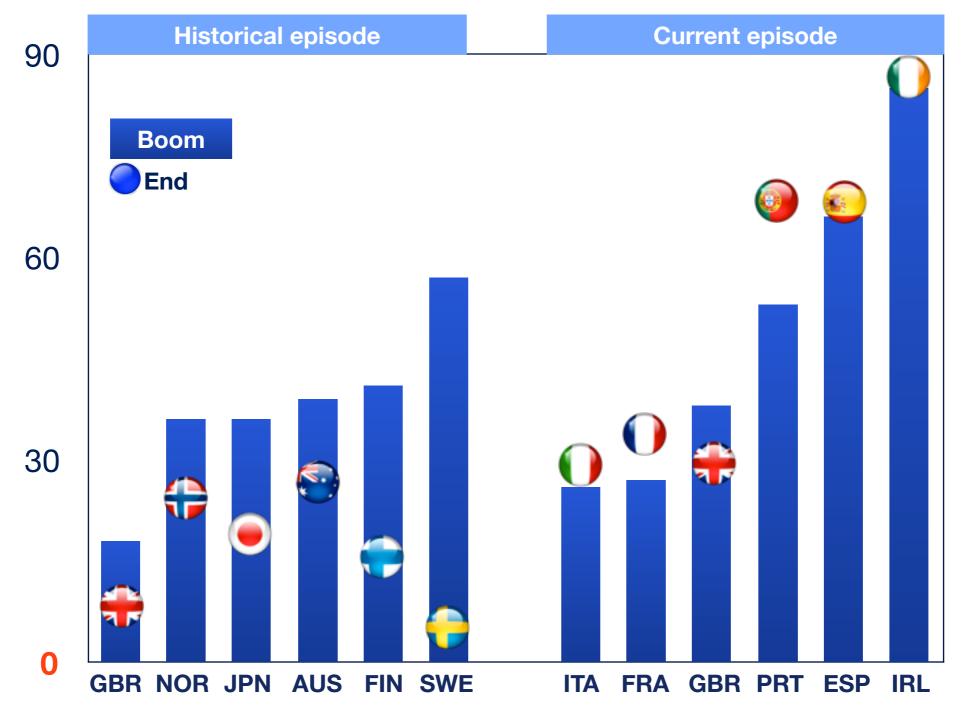
(Contribution to the change in debt-income ratio)





Corporate Deleveraging Episodes

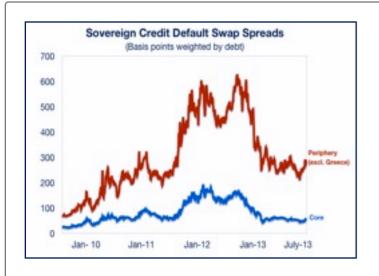
(Change in corporate debt, percent of GDP)





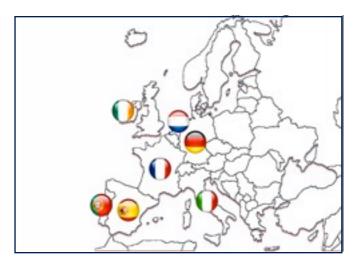
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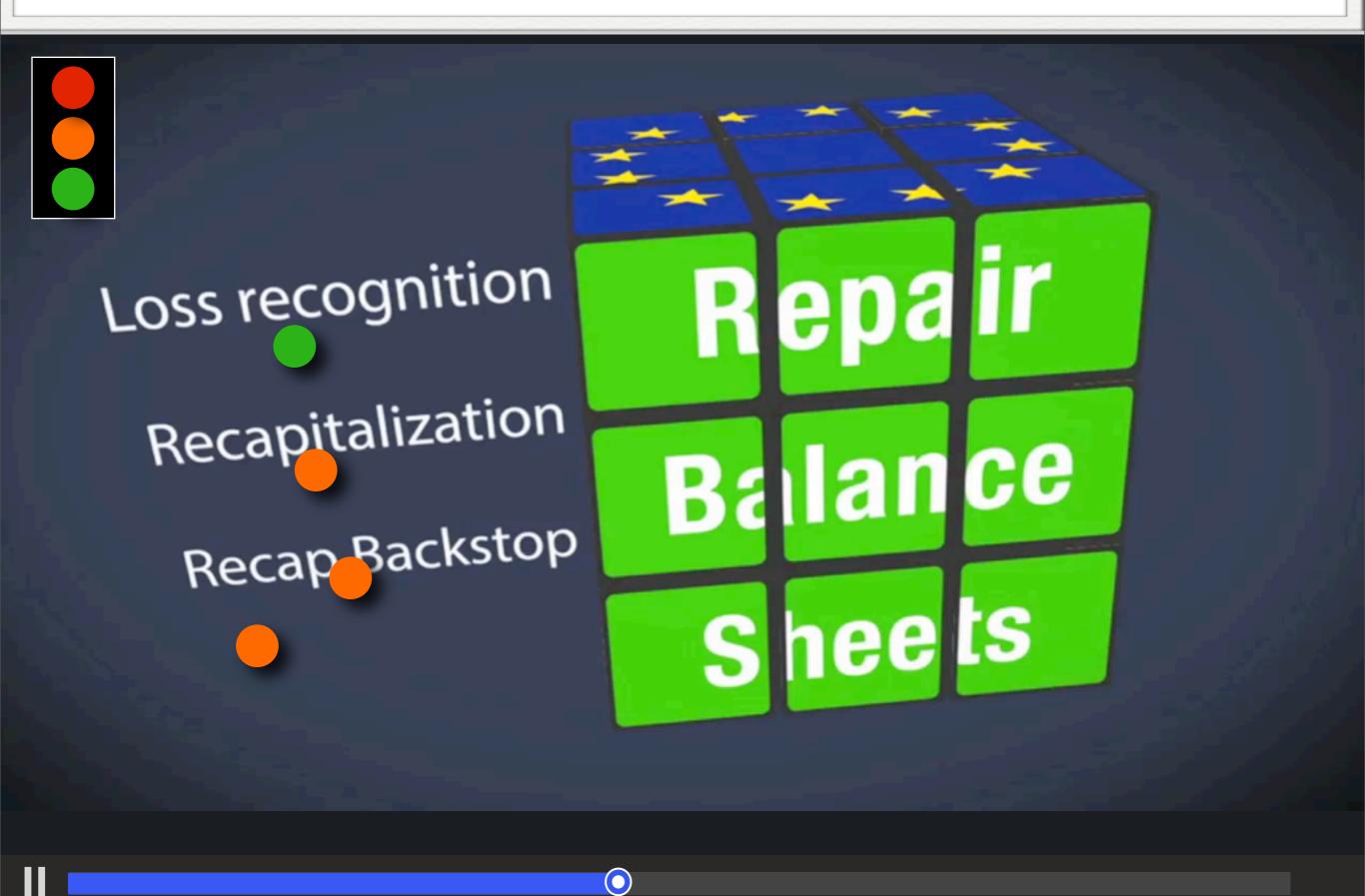
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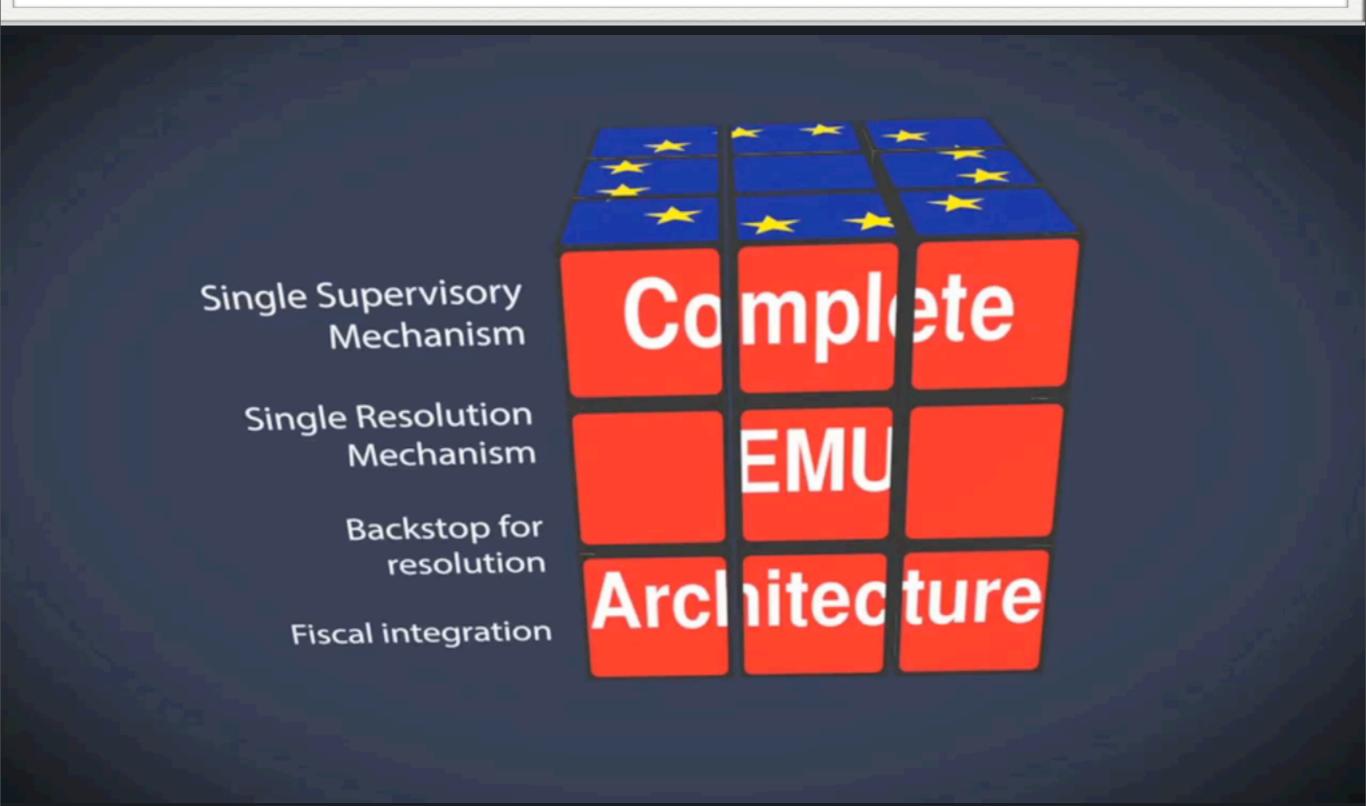




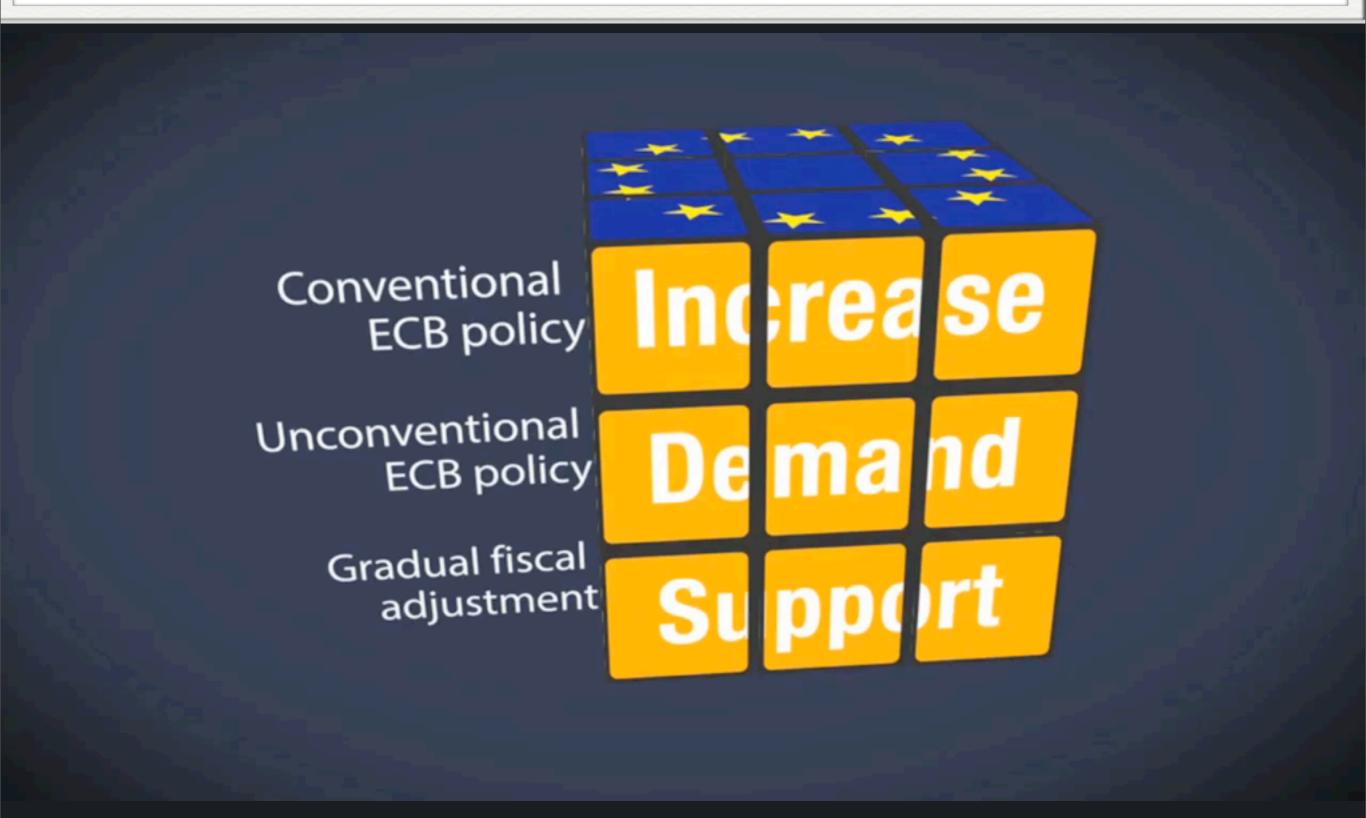












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